state, which is so susceptible to vibratory impetus. I have already given an instance somewhere previously, where we have seen flies killed, merely by the utterance of certain alphabetical sounds at a roaring pitch and thundering tone by a soldier, while pointing towards them each time, with his index finger, as with a revolver. During the discussion that arose between us, mine having been the aggressive part and my friend's the defensive, it naturally enough followed that my voice and tone rose very often to what we might call the commanding and the force of stress with which I said my say, was much greater than that of my friend. It appeared almost visible to me, that after each charge and response, my friend appeared the weaker of us two; as if my utterances fell on him like so many bomb-shells, blowing up with them bubbles from his facial visage leaving him thinner and thinner every time. So far for the effects of sound in our present case.

Now the question arises as to how should such a miracle take place, when under ordinary circumstances, we find that no such thing happens, even in the case of the most contested